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In re Application of: **Lloyd et al.** )  
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Application No. **10/048,228** ) Group Art Unit: **1637**  
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Filed: **June 10, 2002** ) Examiner: **Calamita, H.**  
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For: **Method for Amplification of Nucleic Acids** )

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**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL FORM**

- Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement in response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2005.
- Extension of Time: The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicants do not believe an extension of time is required. However, if Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time, please consider this a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.
- Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16):

CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION						
	Remaining		Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Fees
Total Claims	26	minus	26	0	\$50 each	0.00
Independent Claims	1	minus	3	0	\$200 each	0.00
First presentation of Multiple dependent claim					\$360.00	0.00
Sub-total =						0.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						0.00
Total Fee =						\$0.00

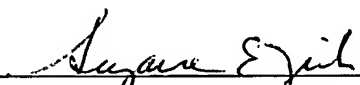
- Additional Papers Submitted:
  - Copy of PTO date-stamped return receipt postcard dated January 29, 2002

- (ii) Copy of Preliminary Amendment filed January 29, 2002
- (iii) Copy of Substitute Sheet with Amended Claims 1-9 filed July 21, 2001  
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5. **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In reply to the restriction requirement in the Office Action dated **February 22, 2005**, (PTO Paper No: None assigned), Applicants respectfully elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-14, 24 and 25, directed to single stranded nucleic acid probes, for prosecution on the merits. The due date for reply, without extension of time, is **March 22, 2005**.

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 6.**